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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

M. E. CHURCH, Rev. B. E. Foster, the Pastor, Services at 11 o'clock A. M., and 1-2 past 7 o'clock P. M. Sunday School at 12 M. All are cordially invited to attend.

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FOR PRESIDENT,
JAS. G. BLAINE,
OF MAINE.FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
JOHN A. LOGAN,
OF ILLINOIS.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

A republican state convention to nominate candidates for state officers and electors for president and vice-president of the United States, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at Whitney's opera house in the city of Detroit at 11 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday, August 13, 1884. In accordance with a resolution adopted at Grand Rapids, May 10, 1876, every county will be entitled to one delegate for each 500 of the total votes cast for governor at the last state election. The delegation will be organized by county, and each organized county will be entitled to at least one delegate. Crawford county is entitled to but one delegate.

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EPITOME OF THE WEEK.

Interesting News Compilation.

XVIII Congress.

TUESDAY, July 1.—In the Senate bills were passed to provide for a branch of the Soldiers' Home west of the Mississippi; for the relief of soldiers improperly charged with desertion, and to grant a pension of fifty dollars per month to the widow of General James B. Steedman. It was agreed to refer to the Committee on Finance resolutions for the redemption of 10,000,000 trade dollars, and for an investigation into the condition of the banks in New York. The River and Harbor bill led to prolonged debate, but was finally passed as it came from the House, appropriating \$13,855,000. In the House the Conference Committees on the Naval Appropriation and Post-office Appropriation bills reported failure to agree, and new committees were appointed.

WEDNESDAY, July 2.—The Senate passed the Small Civil Appropriation bill, setting aside \$20,000,000, after striking out the clause providing salaries instead of fees for United States Marshals. Mr. Sherman offered a resolution that on the 4th of July the Declaration of Independence and Washington's farewell address be read to the Senate by its Secretary. In the House a message was received from President Arthur voting the bill for the relief of John Porter, the Attorney General having pronounced it clearly unconstitutional. The House passed the measure over the President's objections by 76 to 73. The minority, Fortification bill, appropriating \$6,000,000, was passed by 160 to 91.

THURSDAY, July 3.—The Senate, by a vote of 27 to 2, failed to pass the Fitz John Porter bill over the President's veto. The anti-Chinese bill was passed by 43 to 12. In the House the select committee made a report that William H. English was not guilty of a breach of privilege, while a minority declared that he libeled on the floor in the interest of his son. The Senate amendment to the Fortification Appropriation bill was not concurred in, and now conference were appointed.

FRIDAY, July 4.—The Senate passed a bill to permit the widow of General Custer to receive \$104,765.67 for expenses of \$12,210,420, and from disbursements \$27,846,088. The resolution which compared with the preceding twelve months was over \$55,000,000. The public debt was diminished \$400,000,000 during the year. The revenue for the preceding fiscal year was \$127,823,533.

A committee under the presidency of General Slocum, for the benefit of General Slocum, will meet in Washington on September 10.

THE EAST.—The act granting letter-carriers at free delivery offices fifteen days of absence in each year has been approved by the President.

Over 60,000 post-offices are now established in the United States.

The President on the 3d sent to the Senate the name of ex-Congressman Henry S. Neal, of Ohio, to be Solicitor of the Treasury.

At twenty-six leading clearing houses in the United States the exchanges during the week ended on the 28th ult. aggregated \$87,273,294, against \$76,520,000 the previous week.

As compared with the corresponding period of 1883, the clearings showed a decrease of one per cent.

For the first quarter of the present year, as compared with a similar period in 1883, there was a decrease in the sales of postage stamps in the United States amounting in the aggregate to \$10,000,000.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing recently issued over \$2,500,000 of \$1 and \$2 bills.

The public debt statement for June is as follows: Total debt (including interest), \$1,824,026,102; Cash in Treasury, \$29,985,925. Debt, less amount in Treasury, \$1,450,000. Decrease during June, \$9,236. Decrease since June 30, 1883, \$101,641.

Judge C. S. Zane, of Springfield, Ill., was on the 2d nominated by the President for Chief Justice of Utah. The Senate confirmed Henry S. Neal, of Ohio, as Collector of the Treasury; Watson C. Squire as Governor of Washington Territory, and Gilbert A. Pierce, of Illinois, as Governor of Dakota.

During a wind and rain-storm in the district between Washington, D. C., and York, Pa., on the night of the 1st houses were wrecked, bridges swept away, and grain and corn-fields almost ruined. The damage was very great.

The President on the 4th nominated John Jarrett, of Pittsburgh, Pa., for Commissioner of Labor, under the Labor-Service Act recently passed.

There were 165 business failures in the United States and Canada during the seven days ended on the 3d, against 173 the previous seven-days. The distribution was as follows: Middle States, 42; New England, 28; States, 18; Western, 47; Southern, 27; Pacific States and Territories, 22; Canada, 19.

The President made the following nominations on the 4th: John A. Eason, of Iowa, Minister to Germany; Alphonso Taft, of Ohio, Minister to Russia; and John M. Francis, of New York, Minister to Austria.

President Arthur issued a proclamation on the 3d warning people who contemplated settling in the Oklahoma district in Indian Territory, that they would be obstructed by the military.

The East.

The coming at the Philadelphia Mint during the month of June aggregated \$27,715. This included \$1,149,000 silver dollars and \$50,000 dimes.

On the 50th Capt. Andrew, ninety-three years of age, completed his walk from South Carolina to Massachusetts, arriving in Boston in good condition. He started May 7, and on the way shook hands with about 100 persons.

Myriads of cross-shoppers had made their appearance on the 29th ult. in Bucks and Chester Counties, N. H., and were doing great damage to the growing hay crop.

John Kelly, aged eleven years, during a recent quarrel in New York shot and killed James Queen, of the same age.

It has been decided by the Waltham Watch Company, of Massachusetts, to run only four days a week in July, and to suspend entirely for mid-August.

Forsyth car collected a few days ago at Driftwood, Pa., causing a fire which consumed fifteen buildings, including the post-office and Gazette office, causing a loss of \$125,000.

RICHARD HELLER, of Fonda, N. Y., was married on the 2d, thereby forfeiting \$120,000 left by his first spouse on condition that he should not remarry.

The Savings Bank of Gloucester, N. J., and the Plymouth Savings Bank of Plymouth, Pa., closed their doors on the 2d.

Nine cases of sun-stroke occurred in New York City on the 2d.

A trap on the 2d took from a toller's window in an Albany (N. Y.) bank a book containing \$3,000 and mysteriously disappeared.

The failure is reported of Hodges, Horsey & Co., of New York, manufacturers of straw goods, for \$900,000.

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West and South.

At Huntingdon, W. Va., ten frame businesses were destroyed by fire a few mornings ago.

The other day Walter Terrell, aged twenty, residing at Atlanta, committed suicide because of his rejection by a young lady to whom he had been engaged for one year.

H. Gibbs got into an alteration at Wharton, Tex., a few days ago with Sheriff W. C. Brooks and his brother, and shot them both, the Sheriff fatally. Gibbs escaped.

During a quarrel a few days ago with two neighbors named Councill, John F. Moody, a wealthy planter of Jackson County, Ala., shot and killed them both.

A racing fire destroyed St. Joseph's Catholic Orphan Asylum near Newport, Ky. The inmates all escaped, and were temporarily quartered in Newport.

A construction train on the Chicago, Burlington & Kansas City Railroad was on the 28th ult. reported to have gone through a temporary bridge over the Grand River, not far from Sumner, Mo., and ten men lost their lives.

At a Youngstown (O.) suburb a fire early on the morning of the 28th ult. destroyed six dwellings, one, three children, and five adults, and many were overcome by the intense heat.

The little town of Rowlandsville, Md., was nearly swept away by the recent rising of the Susquehanna and Otter Creek. In a gully or Napano, British Columbia, an explosion a few days ago killed twenty-four miners and injured many others.

It was announced by Castillo, the Spanish Consul, in the Cortes on the 1st ult. that Spain had absolutely no intention of selling Cuba.

A few days ago Bradfords was convicted of misbehavior in sitting and voting in the British House of Commons as a member for Northampton after admitting to himself a form of oath.

PONFIRIO DIAZ was elected President without opposition at the recent National election in Mexico.

Six deaths from cholera occurred at Toulon on the 2d and four at Marseilles. In the former city there were 115 cholera patients in the hospitals. The report that the disease prevailed at Lyons was denied. Five cases at Toulon were said to have been cured by inhaling pure oxygen.

The death of Allan Pinkerton, the celebrated detective, occurred at his home in Chicago on the 1st, in his sixty-fifth year. He was a native of Glasgow, Scotland. He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter, and was possessed of a large fortune.

INVESTIGATION on the 1st of the defalcation of ex-State Treasurer Thomas J. Churchill, of Arkansas, who served three terms, showed that he profited a total of \$80,000 taking in the first two years \$40,000.

A Cuban named Diaz was found guilty on the 1st at Key West, Fla., of violating the Neutrality laws in arming an expedition against a friendly power.

The Democrats of Illinois met in State Convention at Peoria on the 2d, and nominated the following ticket: For Governor, Carter H. Harrison, of Cook; Lieutenant-Governor, Henry S. Blair, of St. Clair; Secretary of State, Michael J. Dougherty; of Knox; Treasurer, Alfred Cronould, of Sangamon; Auditor, Walter E. Cartin, of Jersey; Attorney-General, Robert A. McKinley, of Edgar. The platform adopted denounces protection; advocates a tariff for revenue only; favors pensions for soldiers and sailors; opposes land-grafting by foreigners or others for speculative purposes; condemns competition between honest and convict labor; favors an eight-hour law, and declares that arbitrary legislation on the enactment of a prohibitory law is fatalistic, "destructive of the rights of freemen, and fraught with malignant evils."

The Golden Age Flouring Mill Company, of San Francisco, failed recently, with liabilities of \$100,000.

On the Kentucky Central Road freight trains were telecopied the other day near Cunningham, and Mr. Gillam and Mrs. Hastings, of Berea, Ky., passengers, lost their lives.

Five cotton-dock mills in Maryland, owned by William E. Cooper & Sons, have shut down for the summer on account of a glut of goods. Two hundred men were thrown out of employment.

A fire recently destroyed the pork-slaughtering house of J. & P. Schrot, at Cincinnati, and one hundred and twenty-five hogs were burned to death.

A few days ago Colonel Robert M. Goodwin, imprisoned in the Jeffersonville (Ind.) State Prison for killing his brother, Frank P. Blair, and to authorities.

Dr. John Goodwin, committed suicide by taking poison.

HOPE WELLS, the oldest daughter of a prominent colored planter, was waylaid near Rastop, La., on the evening of the 2d, and shot dead.

Laborers, while digging a well on the 2d near Silox, Lincoln County, Mo., struck oil, the gushing fluid compelling them to quit work.

Wood and Dempsey, two boys, were killed by lightning a few days ago while standing under a tree at Latonia, O.

INDIANA Prohibitionists will hold their State Convention at Indianapolis on the 2d inst. to decide upon a definite line of action to be taken by the temperance people in the coming campaign.

At Pemberly, O., thirteen business buildings were burned recently, causing a loss of \$75,000.

THE TREASURER of Washington County, Tenn., was arrested on the 2d for a \$70,000 defalcation.

A fire recently destroyed the Silver & Deming Manufacturing Company's buildings at Saline, O., the loss being estimated at \$100,000.

THIRTY-YEAR locusts have made their appearance in St. Helens Parish, La.

Three men lost their lives by an explosion of gas and oil recently at South Otto, O.

FURTHER advice of the 4th stated that the number of killed and drowned by the recent railroad disaster near Sumner, Mo., was fifteen, and as many more were wounded.

The Prohibition Liquor Law in Iowa went into effect on the 4th.

On the 1st Miss Kate Stetley, of Ogden, Ia., was presented with the medal of honor awarded by the Legislature of the State for her heroic act in saving a passenger train from being wrecked on a broken bridge.

At Sioux City, Ia., and its suburbs a wind-storm on the afternoon of the 4th wrecked the Episcopal Mission School, the plow-hobby and Bogg & Co.'s packing-house. Glass fronts and weak walls were

demolished, structures unroofed and trees leveled.

A YALINGI true during a heavy wind-storm on the 2d in Nebraska killed two soldiers named Gardner and Wenstrom, who were en route to Fort Omaha. At Fremont wind unrooted the Enoe Hotel and the court-house, demolished several buildings, and blew down many trees. Samuel Anderson dropped dead from fright. The school-house and several other buildings were destroyed at Stewart.

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REWARDING A HEROIC ACT.

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